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1. A method for delivery of high-performance online multimedia services comprising:

assigning general content to be multicast to a multicast destination address;  
customizing the general content to suit a first area and thus forming a first version of the content;

customizing the general content to suit a second area and thus forming a second version of the content;

multicasting the first version to an end-user system in the first area; and  
multicasting the second version to an end-user system in the second area.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the first area corresponds to a region served by a first regional data center, and the second area corresponds to a region served by a second regional data center.

3. The method of claim 2, wherein the first area corresponds to a locality served by a first modified head-end, and the second area corresponds to a locality served by a second modified head-end.